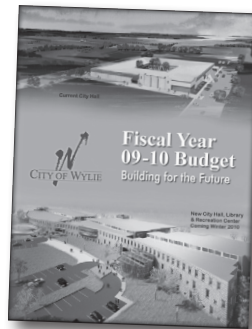


## Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Proposed Budget

The downturn in the economy has hit cities hard throughout the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex. Newspaper headlines tell the story of cities taking drastic measures to reduce expenditures and increase taxes. Due to conservative budgeting, strategic budgetary reductions, strong fund balances, long range planning and fiscal restraint over the last couple years, the City of Wylie holds a relatively solid financial position.

The FY 09-10 Proposed Budget maintains the current tax rate while enabling the City to financially support increases in personnel and operating expenses associated with the New Recreation Center and Library scheduled to open late winter 2010. High levels of service citizens have come to expect in

public safety, infrastructure (streets, water and sewer) and parks and recreation will also be maintained.



"I am proud of staff and council's efforts to create a budget that maintains services and holds the line on taxes," says Wylie Mayor Eric Hogue. "A decrease in property tax valuation of 1.96% meant staff had some tough decisions to make including no increase in salaries."

Go to [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) > Departments > Finance > Budget for details on the FY 09-10 Budget. A public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for August 25 with the adoption of the budget scheduled for September 8. City Council meetings start at 6 pm in the City Hall Council Chamber, 2000 Highway 78 North.

## Officers Recognized With Life Saving Award

### Officers Peeples and Perry

Responding to a call in Southfork Mobile Home Park on May 24, Officers Hermes, Peeples, McIntosh and Perry arrived and discovered two adults possibly intoxicated and unresponsive.



Chief Duscio Congratulates Officer Perry

The female regained consciousness but the male was not breathing. Officer Perry quickly retrieved a breathing mask from the squad car and began CPR on the subject with Officer Peeples. The subject began breathing as EMS arrived.

Officers Peeples and Perry are currently in field training and they acted without hesitation saving a life. During a council meeting Chief Duscio said their actions embodied the caring and compassionate nature that all officers should have.

### Officer Shane Varner

While on patrol July 8, Officer Varner was dispatched to a call involving an unresponsive infant found face down in a pool. Arriving on the scene before Wylie Fire Rescue, Officer Varner found the child not breathing and blue in color. He immediately started CPR and moments later the child started coughing, crying and quickly regained color.

## Online @ WylieTexas.gov

### Council Meeting Packets, New Start Time

Did you know that citizens have access to the same information Councilmembers receive to prepare for Council Meetings? The complete Council packet is posted at [www.WylieTexas.gov](http://www.WylieTexas.gov) the Friday before regularly scheduled meetings. On the homepage select City Government > Boards Agendas & Minutes > City Council. Meetings now begin at 6 pm the second and fourth Tuesday of the month.

### Public Safety Survey

Go to [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) > Fire and take the quick 5 minute survey that will help us analyze the City of Wylie's severe weather preparedness. The information gathered will be used to design communication, programs and education, focused on emergency notification, preparation, response and recovery.

### CodeRED - Update Your Contact Information Today

This high-speed telephone notification system delivers pre-recorded messages to home, business or cell phones in the event of a county-wide or regional natural disaster or emergency. Go to [www.co.collin.tx.us](http://www.co.collin.tx.us) to update your contact information.

### Submit Issues or Concerns

Use the Help Center on the home page of [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) to directly submit issues or concerns, track the response to your inquiry, and quickly search a database for answers to your questions.

### Trash Tip - Please Remove Carts from Curbs and Alleys

For this and other helpful trash and recycle information including brush & bulk call-in pickup details, go to [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) > Services > Trash & Recycling.

## A.C.T.I.O.N. Plan Works To Revitalize Neighborhood

The Wylie City Council in July 2007 adopted the Accountable Communities Through the Involvement of Neighborhoods (A.C.T.I.O.N.) program. A.C.T.I.O.N. encourages community defined plans using a city-guided program, and offers an opportunity for citizens to shape the neighborhoods where they live, work, own property, or manage a business. The bottom line goal is to significantly improve the quality of life and raise property values. Planning Director Renae Ollie, Public Services Director Mike Sferra, the City Council, and the residents of the Bostic subdivision (Third St., Fourth St. and Hilltop) recently teamed up to put the plan into action.

A distinct characteristic of the Bostic neighborhood, one of the older subdivisions in town, is its well established trees aligning the streets, providing shade and beautifying the neighborhood. But these trees often come with a price. The big roots break sidewalks making them dangerous and oftentimes impassable.

Putting to use sidewalk repair/replacement funding approved by Council, a solution was developed to save most of the trees while repairing the sidewalks. Wylie became the first city in Texas to use an innovative product called RubberWay® Flexible Sidewalk. This product enables water to penetrate the surface yet is durable for sidewalk traffic and won't crack as the roots grow.

## Moody's Upgrades Water & Sewer Revenue Bonds

Citing strong management, adequate debt service coverage, diminishing debt position and recent customer base growth, Moody's Investors Service has upgraded the City of Wylie's outstanding revenue water and sewer bonds from Baa1 to A3. Read Moody's opinion in its entirety at [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) > Wylie Living > Press Releases.

## Arts Festival Saturday, December 5

### Sponsor and Vendor Opportunities

The City of Wylie and the Public Arts Advisory Board is proud to present the Wylie Arts Festival, December 5, in downtown Wylie's Olde City Park. Shop for fine art and handmade crafts, listen to the sounds of the season, watch holiday cooking demonstrations, and top the day off with the annual tree lighting ceremony. More details to come with many surprises.

For a sponsorship or vendor brochure go to [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) > Wylie Living > Events.



More than 500 people attended the Target grand opening highlighted by the ribbon cutting with Troy Aikman, Mayor Hogue, City Council, Direct Development Reps and Target Management.

## Fun & Learning

### Rita & Truett Smith Public Library

800 Thomas Street

972-442-7566

[www.WylieTexas.gov](http://www.WylieTexas.gov) > Departments > Library

Hours:	Mon., Tue. & Thur.	Noon - 8 pm
	Wednesday	9 am - 6 pm
	Friday	11 am - 5 pm
	Saturday	9 am - 4 pm
	Sunday	Closed

### All Events Are Free and Open to the Public

Thank you for making the Summer Reading Club a success. We are gearing up for a Fall schedule of programming designed for the entire family.

### Daily Teen Center Resumes August 24, 3:15 - 5 pm

Join kids grade 6-12 everyday after school in the Bluebonnet Room to study, have fun and hang out. There's Rock Band, Guitar Hero, DDR, board games, movies and more. Call 972-442-7566 for details on planned activities.

### Weekly Big Kid Storytime is Back Beginning

September 2, Wednesdays, 9 am & 11 am, Ages 3-5

Join us for books, flannel stories, fingerplays, songs and crafts.

### Weekly Wee Read Storytime is Back Beginning

September 2, Wednesdays, 10 am, Babies & Toddlers

Join us for books, flannel stories, finger plays, songs and crafts.

### Library Closed for Labor Day September 5 & 7

### Wagging Tales Resumes September 17, 6:30 pm

Practice reading aloud to Abby the Collie. Tickets are required and will be distributed on a first come first served basis the evening of the program.

## Bart Peddicord Community Center

100 West Oak Street - 972-442-8119

### Hatha Yoga

Improve your strength, flexibility and balance at the same time you relax and release your daily tension and stress. All levels are welcome.

Monday and Wednesday, 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Full session: 20 classes - \$140

Half session: 10 classes - \$85

Drop in fee: \$10 a class

### Senior Activities

Join area seniors for cards, dominos, bingo, exercise and fun special events. Go to [WylieTexas.gov](http://WylieTexas.gov) > Departments > Parks & Rec for activity calendar and details or Call 972-442-8119.

### Senior Celebration Luncheon, Thurs., August 21, 11:30 am

Cost is \$3 in advance, \$5 at the door. This month: Spaghetti.